Lesson 1 - Getting Started

In this lesson you'll accomplish the following:

- ❖ Use an Internet browser to go to the APHIS Intranet site.
- Obtain a user id and password.
- Use the user id and password to access the EMRS.
- * Become familiar with the EMRS interface.

NOTE: In order to begin using EMRS, you need a computer with an internet connection and a standard browser such as Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator 4.0 or greater.

To access the Emergency Management Response System, use your Internet browser and go to the APHIS Intranet site. The URL is http://inside.aphis.usda.gov. Click on APHIS Programs as shown below.

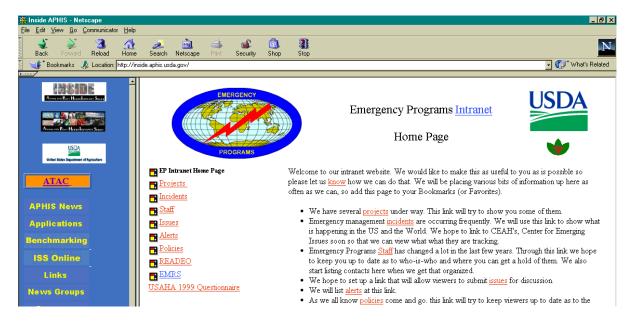


Step 2



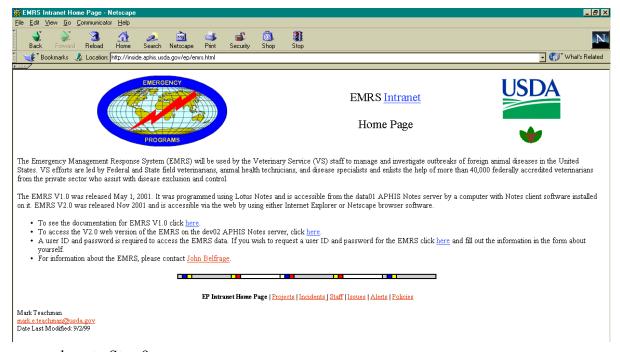
Click on **Emergency Programs** as shown below.

Click on EMRS as shown below.



Step 4

A user ID and password is required to access the EMRS data. First-time users need to request a user ID and password as shown in the third bullet below. If you already have a user id and

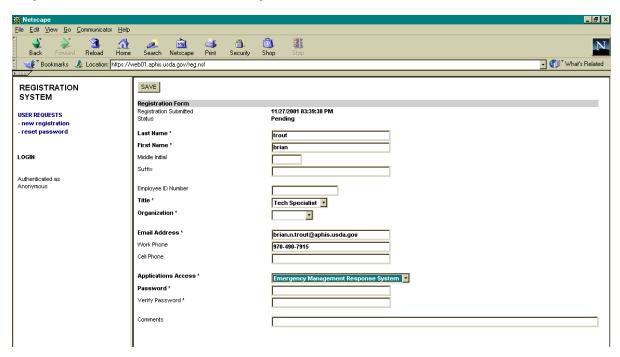


password, go to Step 9.

If you are using Netscape, before accessing the Registration form, you will see information relating to new certificates. Press the **Next** button each time a new screen of information appears (four times) then click **Finish** when prompted.

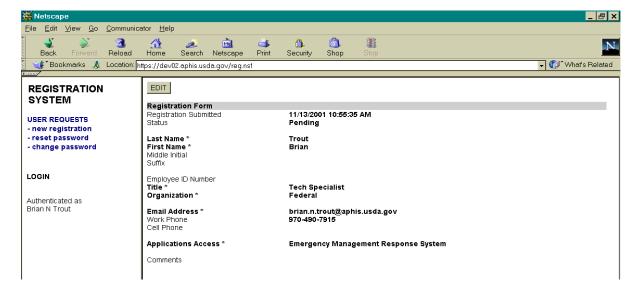
Step 6

Select **new registration** under the User Requests options. Complete the registration form as shown below and press **SAVE**. Enter as much information possible. Phone numbers are especially important to enter. Once registered, your user name and password will be approved and you will be notified via e-mail that you can enter the EMRS data base.

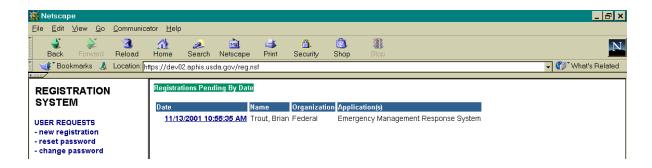


Step 7

After saving the registration form, the following information will appear. Click on the date to view a summary of the information entered.

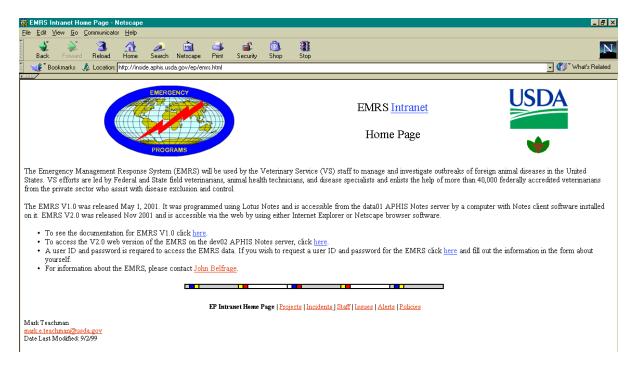


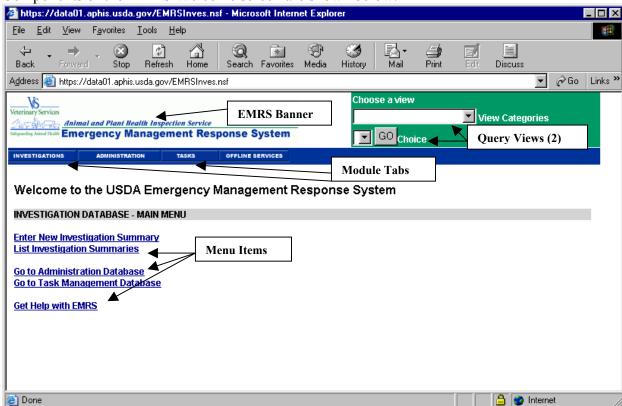
Click on the **EDIT** button to make changes as shown below.



Step 9

Once you have obtained a user id and password, access the EMRS as shown in the second bullet below.

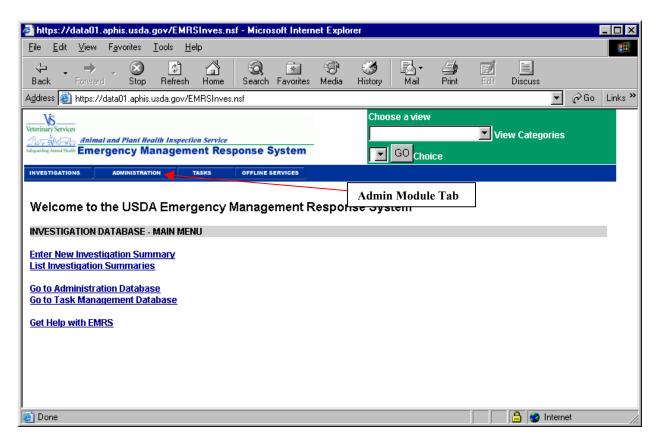




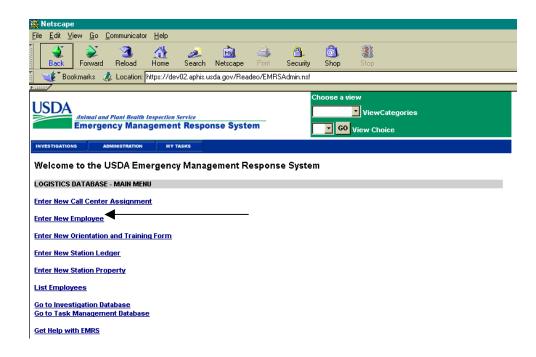
Components of the EMRS Welcome screen are shown below.

- (1) EMRS Banner Indicates that you are working in the EMRS
- (2) Query Views Query the EMRS data base by choosing categories and choice options desired.
- (3) Module Tabs Access the EMRS modules by clicking on the tab
- (4) Menu Items Each module will have a list of menu options available from the Main Menu.

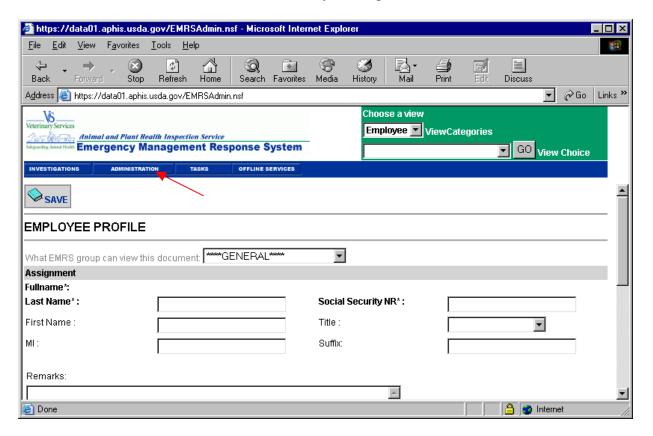
Click on the Administration tab to access the Administrative module main menu shown below.



Click on Enter New Employee.



Every person participating in the EMRS outbreak or incident must complete an Employee Profile Document shown below. Enter information pertaining to where the person is currently located as they are assigned to work on the outbreak or incident. Additional information required includes an emergency contact, the section assigned for the incident and the supervisor for that section. Press the SAVE button when data entry is complete.



Step 12

Click on the Investigative tab to access the Investigative module. Click on the **Enter New Investigative Summary** and turn to Lesson 2 for a description of how the Investigative Summary form works.